## **IN THE CLAIMS**

What is claimed is:

1. (Currently amended) A method, comprising:

accessing a port of a host system <u>by a satellite system to monitor an external</u>

parameter of the host system for a first predetermined event related to the host system,

wherein the satellite system and the host system are connected via an intranetwork, and

wherein the satellite system is inside of a firewall of the intranetwork;

[[and]] logging into said host system by [[a]]the satellite system to monitor an internal parameter of the host system for a second predetermined event related to the host system;

transferring data about <u>at least one of the first predetermined event or the second predetermined event from the satellite system to a monitoring operations center;</u>

generating, by the monitoring operations center, a notification upon an occurrence of <u>at least one of</u> the <u>first predetermined event or the second predetermined event</u> to a first person in a hierarchy; and

escalating, by the monitoring operations center, the notification to a second person in the hierarchy when the first person fails to acknowledge the notification in a time period.

2. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising determining whether the notification is successful.

- 3. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the <u>second</u> predetermined event is receipt of a state change of the internal parameter.
- 4. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the <u>second</u> predetermined event is exceeding a threshold value set for the internal parameter.
- 5. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising generating the notification a number of times for an amount of time.
- 6. (Original) The method of claim 5, wherein the number of times, the amount of time, and the time period are configurable.
  - 7. (Canceled)
  - 8. (Canceled)
- 9. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising providing a possible cause of <u>at least one of the first predetermined event occurrence or the second</u> predetermined event occurrence.
  - 10. (Original) The method of claim 1, where escalation is based on a set of rules.

- 11. (Original) The method of claim 10, wherein the set of rules is based on a time delay between the notification and the acknowledgement.
- 12. (Original) The method of claim 10, wherein the set of rules is based on the state change.
- 13. (Original) The method of claim 10, wherein the set of rules is based on schedules of the first and second persons.
- 14. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the notification is generated and escalated automatically.
  - 15. (Canceled)
- 16. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising monitoring a service of the host system by the satellite system.
- 17. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the parameter is a utilization of a component of the host system.
- 18. (Original) The method of claim 17, further comprising:

  monitoring additional parameters of the host system, wherein the additional parameters include a service of the host system; and

eliminating a redundant notification based on dependent parameters of the host system.

19. - 37. (Canceled)

38. - 41. (Canceled)

42. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein generating further comprises transmitting the occurrence of <u>at least one of</u> the <u>first predetermined event or the second predetermined event from the satellite system to the monitoring operations center.</u>

43. - 48. (Canceled)

- 49. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the internal parameter is an internal state of a host resource.
- 50. (Previously presented) The method of claim 49, wherein the host resource is one of a processor, a storage device or a memory of the host system.
- 51. (Currently amended) A machine readable medium including instructions that, when executed by a processor, cause the processor to perform a method comprising:

accessing a port of a host system by a satellite system to monitor an external parameter of the host system for a first predetermined event related to the host system,

wherein the satellite system and the host system are connected via an intranetwork, and wherein the satellite system is inside of a firewall of the intranetwork;

[[and]] logging into said host system by [[a]]the satellite system to monitor an internal parameter of the host system for a second predetermined event related to the host system;

transferring data about <u>at least one of</u> the <u>first</u> predetermined event <u>or the</u>

<u>second predetermined event</u> from the satellite system to a monitoring operations center;

generating, by the monitoring operations center, a notification upon an occurrence of <u>at least one of</u> the <u>first predetermined event or the second predetermined event</u> to a first person in a hierarchy; and

escalating, by the monitoring operations center, the notification to a second person in the hierarchy when the first person fails to acknowledge the notification in a time period.

- 52. (Previously presented) The machine readable medium of claim 51, the method further comprising determining whether the notification is successful.
- 53. (Currently amended) The machine readable medium of claim 51, wherein the second predetermined event is receipt of a state change of the internal parameter.
- 54. (Currently amended) The machine readable medium of claim 51, wherein the second predetermined event is exceeding a threshold value set for the internal parameter.

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- 55. (Previously presented) The machine readable medium of claim 51, the method further comprising generating the notification a number of times for an amount of time.
- 56. (Currently amended) The machine readable medium of claim 51, the method further comprising providing a possible cause of <u>at least one of the first predetermined event occurrence or the second predetermined event occurrence.</u>
- 57. (Previously presented) The machine readable medium of claim 51, where escalation is based on a set of rules, the set of rules being based on at least one of a time delay between the notification and the acknowledgement, the state change, or schedules of the first and second persons.
- 58. (Previously presented) The machine readable medium of claim 51, further comprising:

monitoring additional parameters of the host system, wherein the additional parameters include a service of the host system; and

eliminating a redundant notification based on dependent parameters of the host system.

59. (Previously presented) The machine readable medium of claim 51, wherein the internal parameter is an internal state of a host resource.

- 60. (Previously presented) The machine readable medium of claim 59, wherein the host resource is one of a processor, a storage device or a memory of the host system.
  - 61. (Currently amended) A system comprising:

a host satellite system, connected to a host system via an intranetwork,
wherein the host satellite system is inside of a firewall of the intranetwork, the host satellite
system having a first processor to:

access a port of [[a]]the host system to monitor an external parameter of the host system for a first predetermined event;

[[and]] log into said host system to monitor an internal parameter of the host system for a <u>second</u> predetermined event;

monitor the internal parameter of the host system for the <u>second</u> predetermined event while logged into the host system; and

transfer data about <u>at least one of the first predetermined event or the second predetermined event to a monitoring operations center; and</u>

the monitoring operations center, networked to the host satellite system, having a second processor to:

generate a notification upon an occurrence of <u>at least one of the first</u>

<u>predetermined event or the second predetermined event to a first person in a</u>

hierarchy; and

escalate the notification to a second person in the hierarchy when the first person fails to acknowledge the notification in a time period.

- 62. (Currently amended) The system of claim 61, wherein the <u>second</u> predetermined event is receipt of a state change of the internal parameter.
- 63. (Currently amended) The system of claim 61, wherein the <u>second</u> predetermined event is exceeding a threshold value set for the internal parameter.
- 64. (Previously presented) The system of claim 61, wherein the second processor to provide a possible cause of the predetermined event occurrence.
- 65. (Previously presented) The system of claim 61, where escalation is based on a set of rules, the set of rules being based on at least one of a time delay between the notification and the acknowledgement, the state change, or schedules of the first and second persons.
- 66. (Previously presented) The system of claim 61, wherein the internal parameter is an internal state of a host resource.
- 67. (Previously presented) The system of claim 66, wherein the host resource is one of a processor, a storage device or a memory of the host system.